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SUBJECT: HOME STATION PARAMEDIC TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ARMY FLIGHT
MEDICS

(U) REFERENCES.

REF//A/ ALARACT 061/2012/PARAMEDIC TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF
ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS (68WF3)//

REF//B/ ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT CENTER AND SCHOOL COMMANDING
GENERAL DECISION BRIEF/ FLIGHT MEDIC TRAINING DECISION
BRIEFING/03 MAR 2011//

REF//C/ REPORT OF THE DISMOUNTED COMPLEX BATTLE INJURY TASK
FORCE/18 JUNE 2011//

REF//D/ JOINT REQUIREMENTS OVERSIGHT COUNCIL (JROC) MEMORANDUM/
TACTICAL CRITICAL CARE TRANSPORT DOTMLPF CHANGE
RECOMMENDATIONS/27 FEB 2012//

1. (U) SITUATION. THE EXPERIENCES AND LESSONS LEARNED FROM
OIF/OND AND OEF DICTATE A MORE ADVANCED SKILL SET REQUIREMENT
FOR ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS TO PROVIDE THE MOST APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF
MEDICAL INTERVENTION FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF PATIENTS DURING
MEDICAL EVACUATION OPERATIONS. ANALYSES CONCLUDED THE MOST
APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CARE/CERTIFICATION IS NATIONAL REGISTRY
PARAMEDIC (NRP) FLIGHT MEDIC WITH CRITICAL CARE SKILLS TRAINING.
THE ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT CENTER AND SCHOOL (AMEDDC&S) IS IN
FINAL DEVELOPMENT OF A THREE PHASED INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM AS
DESCRIBED IN ALARACT 061/2012 - PARAMEDIC TRAINING AND
CERTIFICATION OF ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS (68WF3). THIS INSTITUTIONAL
PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO TRAIN ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS TO THE NATIONAL
REGISTRY PARAMEDIC (NRP) LEVEL WITH ADVANCED CRITICAL CARE
SKILLS. THE INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE
FLEXIBILITY THAT ALLOWS EXISTING FLIGHT MEDICS ENTRY AT THE
APPROPRIATE PHASE. THIS INITIATIVE FACES SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES
FOR TRAINING ALL EXISTING ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS TO NRP
CERTIFICATION DUE TO A PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION REQUIREMENT
AND ARFORGEN. CURRENT ARFORGEN DEPLOYMENT DEMANDS COUPLED WITH A
LIMITED INVENTORY OF QUALIFIED FLIGHT MEDICS MANDATES
ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR TRAINING CURRENT FLIGHT MEDICS TO NRP
CERTIFICATION. THIS INCLUDES A HOME STATION NRP TRAINING AND
CERTIFICATION OPTION DURING PERIODS OF UNIT/SOLDIER DWELL.

2. (U) MISSION. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, U.S. ARMY UNITS WILL AUGMENT PCS PARAMEDIC TRAINING WITH HOME STATION PARAMEDIC TRAINING OPTIONS TO TRAIN AND CERTIFY FLIGHT MEDICS TO THE NRP STANDARD DURING DWELL PERIOD OF ARFORGEN IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE BEST MEDICAL TREATMENT POSSIBLE TO DEPLOYED FORCES.

3. (U) EXECUTION.

3.A. STRATEGY. IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL FOUR COURSES OFFERED AT THE AMEDDC&S, THE COMPLETE STRATEGY TO TRAIN THE FORCE INCLUDES HOME STATION NRP TRAINING, WITH EMPHASIS ON AIR AMBULANCE UNITS PREPARING TO DEPLOY. FUNDING PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE UNITS PREPARING TO DEPLOY.

3.B. DIRECT COORDINATION WITH THE ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT CENTER AND SCHOOL (AMEDDC&S) IS AUTHORIZED TO FACILITATE HOME STATION TRAINING OPTIONS OF ARMY FLIGHT MEDICS OF ALL COMPONENTS TO THE NATIONAL REGISTRY PARAMEDIC (NRP) CERTIFICATION LEVEL. THE AMEDDC&S CENTER AND SCHOOL WILL IDENTIFY ACCREDITED NRP PROGRAMS/SCHOOLS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP CONTRACTS IN COORDINATION WITH INSTALLATION CONTRACTING OFFICES TO FACILITATE NRP HOME STATION TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED FLIGHT MEDICS. SPECIFIC STATEMENTS OF WORK WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR EACH LOCAL CONTRACT BUT WILL ADHERE TO THE GENERAL STANDARDS PRESCRIBED BY AMEDDC&S AND FOR ACTIVE DUTY UNITS WILL NOT EXCEED 27 WEEKS IN LENGTH. PROGRAMS LONGER THAN 27 WEEKS MAY BE APPROVED ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. CONTACT AMEDDC&S G3/5/7 POC IN PARAGRAPH 5.A.2. FOR COORDINATION.

3.C. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR HOME STATION PARAMEDIC TRAINING.

3.C.1. 68W MOSQ WITH CURRENT EMT-B AND CPR CERTIFICATIONS.
3.C.2. MEET HEIGHT/WEIGHT STANDARDS.
3.C.3. MUST BE ABLE TO PASS THE ARMY PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST.
3.C.4. CURRENT CLASS III FLIGHT PHYSICAL.
3.C.5. PASS AN NRP REGISTRY BACKGROUND SCREENING.
3.C.6. BE REFERRED BY COMPANY COMMANDER.
3.C.7. MEET (OR RE-ENLIST/EXTEND TO MEET) THE MINIMUM SERVICE REMAINING REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN AR 614-200 (19-21 MONTHS ACTIVE/USAR).

3.D. AIR AMBULANCE UNITS WITH APPLICANTS MEETING MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA MAY SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR SCHOOLING WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO MSG STEPHEN WELCH, STEPHEN.WELCH2@US.ARMY.MIL OR APPD.ENLISTED@AMEDDC.ARMY.MIL. PACKETS WILL BE FORWARDED FOR REVIEW TO DEAN, U.S. ARMY SCHOOL OF AVIATION MEDICINE (USASAM), FT. RUCKER, AL TO DETERMINE

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROGRAM. WAIVER APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA IS THE DEAN OF USASAM. PACKETS WILL INCLUDE:

3.D.1. DA FORM 4187 (REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL ACTION) SIGNED BY UNIT COMMANDER.

3.D.2. DA FORM 7442 (VERIFICATION OF TABLE VIII TRAINING REQUIREMENTS).

3.D.3. ENLISTED RECORD BRIEF.

3.D.4. CURRENT DA FORM 705.

3.D.5. DA FORM 4186 (MEDICAL RECOMMENDATION FOR FLIGHT DUTY) OR MEDPRO VERIFICATION OF CURRENT CLASS III FLIGHT PHYSICAL.

3.D.6. COPY OF CURRENT NREMT-B AND BLS CARD.

3.D.7. ARMY EMS CREDENTIAL BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE.

3.E. PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM.

3.E.1. FLIGHT DUTY FOR ENLISTED PERSONNEL IS VOLUNTARY AS IS PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM. COMMANDERS AT ALL LEVELS WILL ENCOURAGE CURRENT FLIGHT MEDIC PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE AS HIGH PRIORITY. COMMANDERS SHOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION OF OTHERWISE QUALIFIED 68W SOLDIERS WITHIN THEIR PURVIEW.

3.E.2. SERVICE REMAINING REQUIREMENT (SRR): COMMANDERS WILL ENSURE SOLDIERS ATTENDING TRAINING MEET SRR PRESCRIBED BY AR 614-200 (19-21 MONTHS FOR ACTIVE/USAR, AND 48 MONTHS ARNG) AND PROCESS EXTENSIONS AND/OR RE-ENLISTMENT AS NECESSARY.

3.F. ACCREDITATION. NO TRAINING WILL BE CONTRACTED WITH SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS THAT ARE NOT ACCREDITED THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON ACCREDITATION OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROFESSIONS (COAEMSP). A FULL LIST OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS CAN BE FOUND AT [HTTP://WWW.COAEMSP.ORG](http://www.coaemsp.org)

4. (U) SUSTAINMENT. FUNDING. FUNDING FOR INDIVIDUAL HOME STATION NRP TRAINING IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AMEDDC&S. CENTRAL FUNDING WILL BE PROVIDED FOR APPROVED EXPENSES (TUITION, BOOKS, AND REQUIRED UNIFORMS) AS SUBMITTED BY THE PROGRAM MANAGER. CONTACT AMEDDC&S G3/5/7 POC IN PARAGRAPH 5.A.2 FOR COORDINATION.

5. (U) COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

5.A. POCS:

5.A.1. THE ARMY OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL POINT OF CONTACT IS LTC WILLIAM CLYDE, AT COMMERCIAL: 703-681-8195 EMAIL: WILLIAM.CLYDE@US.ARMY.MIL.

5.A.2. THE AMEDDC&S POINT OF CONTACT IS MR. LAWRENCE ARAUJO

AMEDDC&S G3/5/7 AT COMMERCIAL: 210-221-7308 EMAIL:
LAWRENCE.ARAUJO@AMEDD.ARMY.MIL; OR FOR CLINICAL COORDINATION AT
AMEDDC&S PRE-HOSPITAL MEDICINE, LTC BRIAN KRAKOVER, AT
COMMERCIAL: 210-221-9587 EMAIL: BRIAN.A.KRAKOVER@US.ARMY.MIL.

5.A.3. ARNG POINT OF CONTACT IS MSG KYM B. RICKETTS, CHIEF
MEDICAL NCO; OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SURGEON, AT COMMERCIAL:
COMMERCIAL:703-607-1054 DSN:327-1054 EMAIL:
KYM.RICKETTS@MAIL.US.ARMY.MIL

5.A.4. THE PRIMARY AMEDDC&S POINT OF CONTACT FOR FUNDING IS LISA
RUSSELL, BUDGET OFFICER, AMEDDC&S G-8 COMMERCIAL: 210-221-7474
EMAIL: LISA.RUSSELL@AMEDD.ARMY.MIL.

5.B. EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS MESSAGE: 30 SEP 2016.